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Three hundred years ago, a group of twenty-three persons landed in Nieuw Amsterdam -- the first group of Jewish settlers in what is now the United States.

The American Jewish Tercentenary commemorates that historic event, and all the days and years of growth and progress from 1654 to the present. Theme of the observance, which is taking place in towns and cities across the land from September 1954 through May 1955, is "Man's Opportunities and Responsibilities Under Freedom."

Along with their fellow citizens of every race and creed, the Jews of the United States have taken part in every aspect of the nation's life, developing the resources, advancing the frontiers of knowledge, pioneering in many fields, contributing to our culture.

Prominent among them have been the artists - the men and women who set down in design and color the spirit of our times and the fruit of their personal inspiration.

This contemporary graphic arts exhibit by outstanding American Jewish artists has been assembled in honor of the occasion by The Fine Arts Committee of the American Jewish Tercentenary.